MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES TO BE A **VERY FITTING EVENT**

FOUR PATRIOTIC ORDERS, CIVIL-IANS, SCHOOL CHILDREN TO TAKE PART IN EXERCISES.

Headquarters Dan S. Root Post, No. 726, G. A. R., Belding, Mich., May

21, 1918.

The four patriotic orders of Belding will observe Memorial Sunday, May 26 by attending the morning service at the Baptist church. They will assemble at the G. A. R. hall at 9:30 a. m. and march to the church. All soldiers, sailors and marines are in-vited to join with us in this Memor-

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The G. A. R. post, the Woman's Relief corps, the Camp of the Sons of Veterans, and the ten of the Daughters of Veterans will assemble at the G. A. R. hall at 9 o'clock sharp Thursday a. m., May 30, and march to the Bridge street bridge where the W. R. C. will give their ritualistic water service in honor of the soldiers, sailors and marines buried at sea.

Order of Parade.

Order of Parade. School pupils in column of fours, carrying flags, under charge of Supt. Langston and their teachers. Civic bodies, lodges and

Ladies of the Red Cross. Boy Scouts.
Camp Fire Girls.
Belding Band.
Belding Guards.
Sons of Veterans.
G. A. R. post.
Daughters of Veterans.

W. R. C.

After the water service they will march in the same order to the Baptist church where the school pupils will be dismissed.

Program at the Church.

Music by the high school, directed
by Miss Elizabeth Raynor.

1.—High school orchestra. ',March

2.—Invocation, Rev. Biss.
3.—Reading of Gen. John A. Logan's celebrated Order No. 11 of May
5, 1886 establishing Memorial day for all time, Supt. Langston.
4.—Reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg
address—J. M. Langston, S. O. V.
5.—High school chorus, "One Land

dially invited to join with us in as- found our overseas was over land and sembly at the G. A. R. hall, make the the laugh was on us instead of the march and attend the services in this most fitting and patriotic observance of Memorial day. Immediately after to four airplanes in the air at once most fitting and patriotic observance of Memorial day. Immediately after the close of the service at the church the post, corps, Camp of the Sons of Veterans and Tent of the Daughters of Veterans will proceed by autos to the cemetery at Cook's Corners at 12:30 for the regular G. A. R. cemetery

Chas. Friedman in Service.

Abe Friedman, proprietor of the Metropolitan store, received word last week that his son, Charles, who has been working at Rhinelander, Wis., for some time past had enlisted in the naval militia and was now stationed at the Great Lakes training station taking up a course in wireless telegraphy. Charles is well known here and his many friends will be proud of his action.

Mrs. M. E. Weter has been very ill this week but this Wednesday morn-ing is a little more comfortable.

Organized R. C. Auxiliary.

Twenty-fiveof the ladies of the Mir-Twenty-five of the ladies of the Miriam section met at the home of Mrs. Frank Kemp Wednesday afternoon and organized a Miriam branch of the Red Cross. Mrs. Peter Kohn and Mrs. Earl Norton of Bartonville were present and explained the work to be done by the Red Cross society. Officers were elected as follows: President, Miss Mary Gundolf; vice president, Miss Lillian Laux; secretary, Mamie Gasper. The meeting this week is being held at the home of Mrs. Albert Laux this afternoon.

North Keene ladies also met at the home of Mrs. John Scheidt Tuesday and effected an organization of the Red Cross. Mrs. Lon Hunter of Keene explained the work and Mrs. A. D. Gibson was elected president. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Peter Ritterstorf.

Hubbardston Appreciates Red Cross

The members of St. John's Catholic church of Hubbardston opened the Red Cross drive on Sunday morning after mass and in less than one hour \$1,250 was donated. This sum more than triples the quota of \$400 allotted to this whole township. The drive will continue all this week.

Is In Rest Billets Now.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. G. Bailey of the Banner-News force are in receipt of a letter from their son, Corporal Clarence G. Bailey, in France, to the effect that he was at the time of writing in rest billets after severe and hard fighting in the trenches. Doubtless Clarence has been over the top many times since he left here over a year ago.

PRIV. STUMP WRITES BANNER--NEWS--TELLS OF JOKE ON BOYS

John C. Stump, who left here a few weeks ago for service, writes the fol-

Radio Mechanic Detachment, 13th Service Company,
Camp Alfred Vail,
Little Silver, N. J., May 16, 1918.
Belding News-Banner and Friends:
After three weeks in the army I find there is not much show of getting

Daughter of Veterans.

18.—Recitation, "What Did the French Do?" Will Malone, Sons of Veterans.

I must tell you the little joke they played on us at Fort Wood.

We were at drill when our first sergeant called on 24 of us by name Veterans.

19.—High school orchestra, "The Heavens Resound."

19.—High school chorus, "America."

20.—Benediction, Wm. H. Eckler, Past Chaplain.

All soldiers, sailors, marines and members of the above named orders, the mayor, city council and all civic bodies and fraternal citizens are cordially invited to join with us in asand gave us orders to pack our bar-

for the regular G. A. R. cemetery service.

Then to Smyrna where dinner will be served by the Lady Maccabees. Then to the Smyrna cemetery for the G. A. R. service and a brief program by the school pupils at 2:30. They will then proced to the River Ridge cemetery for their service at 3:30, then to the old Belding cemetery for decoration and dismissal.

Every citizen should put forth every effort to aid with their presence in observing this one day set apart to be kept sacred to the nation's dead as well as our own.

Bring flowers and wreaths for every grave. Kindly furnish your auto with a chaffeur for the post, the corps, the Sons of Veterans and the Daughters of Veterans from the Baptist church at 11:30 to the several cemeteries and return.

At your earliest convenience please report the use of your auto to Elmer C. Wise or Will Malone, committee on transportation. You will remember with pride every effort you have made to make this one day full of loving and patriotic devotion.

Frank R. Chase.

Post Commander.

W. R. Olds.

and raised near Washington, D. C.J but enlisted in the English army in the early part of the war.

If the young men would enlist and Uncle Sam would send us all over at once I think would see the Germans scatter for I have seen forces enough in what time I've been in the service to make most any kaiser blush.

I will close with telling you how we are made save every man is required to clean his plate and to waste nothing and if he does not obey orders he is given some extra hard work to do, which most any soldier doesn't like if it's for punishment.

Pyt. John C. Stump.

Pvt. John C. Stump, Radio Mechanic Detachment, 13th Service Company, Little Silver, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Hubbell and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. have been several days in Detroit, going there by auto.

A Scouting Expedition At the Home Barracks



POMONA GRANGE SPLENDID PROGRAM

GRANGERS FROM MANY PLACES ATTENDED MEETING HERE ON THURSDAY-BIG SUCCESS.

bert E. Powell spoke on "Should we have more farmers in the legislature and how to get them." Space forbids mentioning the many good things he said. Mrs. Carpenter of Grattan grange, gave a recitation and responded to an encore. Master J. C. Ketcham, National Lecturer, then gave the address of the day, just thuck full of good things and closed with a note of warning "to not let the 'wets' catch us napping this fall." John Kohn gave an able talk on the "Wastes of Distribution" and Theo. Blasen gave recitation and responded to an encore. Closed meeting was then held to confer the 5th degree on some 35 candifer the 5th degree on some 35 candidates. Super was then served to

Gavel fell at 8 o'clock. Prayer; solo by Mr. Kerr, responding to encore, Mrs. Cook at piano; recitation, Mrs. John Cronk. Mrs. Mary E. H. Coville gave a paper on "What will

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dred and Eighteen.

c'tizenship mean to women." Mr. Travis spoke on "Government control for private gains vs. ownership for use of people" was good common sense; recitation by Mrs. Ivah Emery; songs by Master Carpenter, Miss Carpenter, pianist. Address of evening by Mrs. O. J. C. Woodman, state chaplain, closed with solo by George Wagner, responding to encore; Bert Rummler, pianist. Harley H. Lyon, of Lake Odessa, presided at all sessions.

Mary E. H. Coville,

Pomona Reporter.

Dear Mother and Father: I am rather tardy in writing but

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR

Entertained Ladies' Aid.

short program of music and dancing, consist ng of songs, instrumental mu-sic and dancing by Miss Dorothy Brown, was enjoyed by all. Many of the men, who are very busy getting in their crops, came in tome to help dispose of the picnic supper. All re-port a good time and hope to see all and many more next month when we meet with Mrs. Alfred Wild.

M. L. Osterhout has been very seriously ill at the City hospital, but seems to be slightly improving.

Proclamation by the Governor of the State of Michigan

It is my honor to call your attention to the Second War Fund Drive inaugurated

The wonderful accomplishment of the Red Cross has been the marvel of the age

The great virtue of mercy which elevates mankind to a higher plane and has been

and while our thoughts of its great work take us to the devastated battlefields of Europe, yet we must not lose sight of the important relief of dependent families of

our brave heroes and of the alleviation of the suffering caused by disaster in America

so beautifully exempilfied by our great Society is the one bright CROSS of service which for all future time will shine orilliantly through the terrible gloom that has marked the world as the darkest period in its history. With the exception of actually enlisting in active service for your Government, the greatest demonstration of

your patriotism and loyalty is your general contribution to the War Fund, thus adding to the radiance and lustre of the Great Red Cross.

Never before has the opoprtunity been given our people to respond to humanity's call in a manner that will be so far reaching in its results and while it may be said with

credit to our state that on all previous opportunities we have responded generously,

Liberty in foreign lands and beside them marches the spirit of your contribution to the American Red Cross to aid, comfort and if necessary, to assist them in dire need. It

is not charity, but duty and a privilege.

Therefore, I, ALBERT E. SLEEPER, Governor of the tSate of Michigan, hereby set aside the period of May 20 to 27, inclusive for the purpose of the War Fund of the

American Red Cross campaign and call on all of the people of the state to lend their assistance thereto, by contributing liberally their personal, moral and financial support. I request the Mayors of all incorporated cities of the state to make like

proclamations to their people.

Given under my hand at Lansing, Michigan, this 14th day of May, Nineteen Hun-

ALBERT E. SLEEPER.

At this fated hour, many of Michigan's sturdy sons are carrying the banner of

there is an additional imperative reason for action.

LIKES DILL PICKLES

ompart, Son of Veteran.

The place of the many auto loads of Grangers when the reached Belding Thursday, May 15 well and any and the many auto loads of Grangers when they reached Belding Thursday, May 16 well and the street Salzanger of Market Sa with me in fact we have been together most of the time. I am off the Ford; 7 of our men and I am doing the mechanical work of a section. It is Mrs. Byron Brown entertained the Southwest Eureka Ladies' Aid last Thursday afternoon. The ladies sew-decarpet rags for the Red Cross. A short program of making and decarped rags for the Red Cross. A lam in a new section set it isn't so

Surprised Mrs. Currie

Mrs. Harvey Currie enjoyed a very pleasant surprise on Friday evening of last week when Mr. Currie, by prearrangement with members of the Church of Christ, spirited Mrs. Currie up to Greenville to enjoy an auto ride. On returning home and entering the the house to put away her wraps, Mrs. Currie made her way in the darkness of the room to the light found herself face to face with a room full of friends who had gathered on the occasion of her birthday to surprise her and surprise her they did, to her great pleasure and enjoyment. The evening was plasantly spent in visiting, and social intercourse and Mrs. Currie was presented with a number of beautiful and useful presents. One of them being a beautiful library table the gift of her daughter, Thelma. Refreshments were later on served and the guests departed for their homes about 11 o'clock wishing Mrs. Currie many happy returns of the day and declaring themselves to have been the recipients of a splendid good time.

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Washington Gadrier rappointed

Ex-President William H. Taft has notified Washington Gardiner, past Commander in chief of G. A. R., that he has been appointed a delegate to the "Win the War for a Permanent Peace" convention to be held in Philadelphia. Among those on the program are former President Taft, alton B. Parker, Charles Evans Hughes humbia, Dr. Lyman Abbott, Anna and President Somers of Havard. President Nicholas Murray Butler of Contact of the Windows of the Some of the organization and Henry Upholt and others told of the wheel as they saw it.

Plans for Decoration day services in honor of the boys who are already in and who are about to enter the nation's service were taken up. H. J. Leonard, A. S. Dimmick and Fred L. Warner thought the people of the city had been rather negligent in honoring the boys in service but it was later on brought out that the various

POPULAR YOUNG

ALBERT N. SALZMAN AND MISS MARGUERITE LAMB EMBARK ON LIFE'S VOYAGE.

April 20, 1918.

Dear Mother and Father: I think am rather tardy in writing but have Lamb, 623 South Pleasant street, was CIDENT NEAR

I am rather tardy in writing but have been awful busy lately on the move every minute. I have been keeping well and am as happy as a lark. So you don't think a great deal of my united in marriage to Mr. Albert Salz-

with of Grand Rapids, aunt of the bride, very effectively sang, "Love, here is my heart.' She was accom-panied at the piano by Miss Mary panied at the piano by Miss Mary Salzman, sister of the groom. As the strains of Lohengrinn's wedding march floated through the rooms, the bridal party descended the stairs. First came Rev. Nash, followed by Miss Edith McIlhargie of Harbor Beach, Mich., bridesmaid, who was gowned in pink georgette grope and carried pink iump to keep all of my cars running. I am in a new section so it isn't so much work. It is sure strange they don't get Tom Bracken on the draft. What class is he in? Received a letter from Mr. Howard and Mr. Hetherington today and also Mr. Gray. Clark Palmer sent me a nice box of candy and Ben Bracken some tobacco. I have been wanting to write many of the people at home but as I say I haven't had the place or time to do any writing. Some of these days I hope to get caught up once more. I see by the paper that Continued on last page

State of Michigan

March floated through the rooms, the bridal party descended the stairs. First came Rev. Nash, followed by Miss Edith McIlhargie of Harbor Beach, Mich., bridesmaid, who was gowned in pink georgette crepe and carried pink kilarney roses. She was followed by the bride gowned in white georgette crepe with veil of tulle caught with pearl band and lilies of the valley. She carried a prayer book and three white roses. They were met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. Herman Salzman, brother of the groom. The Episcopal service was used, and the bride was given away-by her father.

After a dainty lunch was served by the Misses Alleen Armstrong, Margaret Wilbur, Louise Lambertson, Selma and Velma Litle and Alice Biss. The bride and groom left on a short

Selma and Velma Litle and Alice Biss.

The bride and groom left on a short wedding trip and will be at home to their friends after June 1 at 623 So. Pleasant street, Belding, Mich.

The out of town guests were: Mr. Charles Lamb, Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. John Lamb, the Misses Jane and Elizabeth Lamb, Ypsilanti; Mr. and Mrs. William Salzman and daughter, Kittie, and Mr. Glen Rounds. Rock-Mrs. William Salzman and daughter, Kittie, and Mr. Glen Rounds, Rockford; Mrs. A. M. Whitney, Mrs. Emma Beckwith, Miss Maud Salzman, Mrs. Zeno Nelson and Mrs. Nina Weeks of Grand Rapids; Miss Edith Mc Ilhargie, Harbor Beach, and Mrs. Paul Youngs, Leslie.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Salzman are well known and highly respected young pepple of this city and their many friends join in with the Banner-News in wishing them oceans of health, happiness and prosperity on their voyage through life.

GAVE VALUABLE BOOKS TO NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Mrs. Clara Stanton of Detroit was n the city last week and attended the ledicatory exercises of the new library. She had been to Grattan to assist her brother, Albert Slayton,

assist her brother, Albert Slayton, in the moving to Carson City.

Beside the Slayton museum as a gift to the city they have also given a large number of volumes of valuable books to the library from the collection which the late Chester M. Slayton left. Mr. Slayton was a great reader of good books and this gift by his children of them to the library is a most generous one and the donors are entitled to much praise.

The librarian, Mrs. Mary Barnes, s greatly pleased with the valuable addition to the library shelves.

BOARD OF COMMERCE ELECT OFFICERS AT

R. H. HALL IS RE-ELECTED FOR THIRD TIME-SMALL NUM-BER IN ATTENDANCE.

oring the boys in service but it was later on brought out that the various churches, lodges, etc., had done con-siderable in the way of honoring these

Fred N. Belding was called on for a talk and complemented the city on the organization and said that Belding

the organization and said that Belding was one of the cleanest and best cities which he had ever visited.

HubertM. Engemann, one of the Banner-News editors, in his sailor's uniform, also spoke to the gathering and testified to the cleanliness and excellence of our city.

F. A. Washburn told of the splendid work the ladies of the city are doing, workings and raising money for the Red Cross.

Officers of the board of commerce

Officers of the board of commerce elected for the ensuing year are as

President—E. H. Hall.
Vice President—A. M. Hall.
Treasurer—E. C. Lloyd.
Directors—A. S. Dimmick, H. J.
Leonard and W. P. Hetherington.

young men to report on that day. It is suggested by the federal authorities that persons in the various localities of the county who have automobiles should see that the men are brought to Ionia, who cannot easily get there otherwise.

The order is general throughout the state and it is expected that 40,000 men will register.

COUNTY ARE DEAD

David G. Ackley, a pioneer and Civil war veteran of kent county residing at Cedar Springs was buried in Rockford Wednesday.

For many years he conducted the Ackley hotel on Canal street in Grand Rapids. He was a grandson of Elder Norman Ackley and Rev. Donald J. Gilbert of Oakfield well known pioneer preachers in this vicinity 60 years ago. By a singular coincidence his uncle Albert L. Picket also of Rockford a Civil war veteran and pioneer died on the morning of Mr. Ackley's burial aged 101 years old. neer died on the morning of Mr. Ackley's burial aged 101 years old. For many years after the war Mr. Picket was the station agent in Rock-

Gave Piano Recital.

The Miller & Harris furniture company store was filled to capacity last Wednesday evening when a recital was given by the p ano pupils of Mrs. K. L. Skahen. In the recital were over 20 of Mrs. Skahen's students and all 20 of Mrs. Skanen's swith much cred-acquitted themselves with much credit both to themselves and their teacher Eventhe smallest pupil showed the results of careful drill in time and

results of careful drill in time and finger movements. The event was greatly enjoyed by the parents of the pupils and was also a material benefit to the pupils themselves.

Mrs. Skahen is having good success with small pupils, who are taken into her studio and given thorough drills on the instrument three or four times a week until they acquire a degree of familiarity with the keyboard that permits rapid advancement. The recital of Wednesday evening was a benefit to all participants and was especially appreciated by those who were present through having received invitations.

Attention I. O. O. F.
Tuesday evening, May 28, 1918, will be regular I. O. O. F. lodge night, but we have special business that must be attended to. Your presence is demanded.

F. & A. M. Communication pecial communication of Belding gc No. 355 F. & A. M. Thursday at, May 23 for work in the EA rec. A. B. Foss, W. M.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hardy of Sar-anac spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hal rser.